




PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE


Applicant: Mark T. Girard et al.**Serial No.:** 10/073,600**Filed:** February 11, 2002**For:** HEAD GIMBAL ASSEMBLY
METHOD**Examiner:** Kim, P.**Group Art Unit:** 3729**Docket No.:** AKI0004/US/2Commissioner for Patents
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RENEE A. WOLFF**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)**

Dear Sir or Madam:

Applicant respectfully petitions the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action mailed September 9, 2005, for one month from December 9, 2005, to January 9, 2006.

Enclosed is a check for \$60.00 (small entity). Please charge any additional fees to Deposit Account No. 50-1775.

Respectfully Submitted,

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